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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 4 November 1968

DD/I advised that the paper on the Moscow-Hanoi-Peking triangle is in the final stages of coordination and should be ready later today.

DD/I drew attention to a paper, Response of NATO Countries to Soviet Invasion of Czechoslovakia, done in preparation for attendees at the North Atlantic Assembly.

Lehman for Godfrey reported that a memorandum has been completed on the Communist-inspired liberation committees in the South Vietnam countryside. The paper describes the history, tactics, and possible direction of the apparatus, and the Director asked that it be widely distributed.

Carver advised that Saturday's Bundy Group meeting grappled mainly with the problem of the scenario for next Wednesday's meeting in Paris.

The Director drew attention to [redacted] and commented on its unusual perception and reliability.

Maury noted that an article in The Government Employees' Exchange on the alleged damage done to NATO by recent spy cases has caused a stir in the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee.

Maury noted that William Woodruff's visit [redacted] went well.

DD/P drew attention to disturbing reports on developments in Panama which suggest that the powers behind the junta are of suspect political affiliations and, among other things, are planning to put extreme leftists in control of key Panamanian newspapers.

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DD/P noted a report indicating that the Soviets have cut off subsidies to L'Unita and Humanite.

DD/P drew attention to a revealing and detailed report on Cambodia's role in facilitating enemy shipments to Vietnam. The report details a regular Sunday meeting involving a representative of Sihanouk and representatives of the NVA, NLF, and Cambodian army.

25X1 DDCI advised that NIRB has scheduled a concluding meeting today on the [ ] prior to the study's being dispatched to the Department of Defense study group, whence the report goes to the Director before presentation to the Secretary of Defense.

25X1 The Director urged D/ONE to ensure that the Board of National Estimates and other concerned Agency components focus their full attention on the Estimate on Southeast Asia after the war in that this Estimate is obviously very timely and will receive intense scrutiny from the current and succeeding administrations.

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The Director drew attention to Stanley Karnow's article in today's Washington Post on conversations with Prince Sihanouk.

DD/S advised in response to a question from the Director that a Notice has been sent to all employees on the use of leave for purposes of voting on Tuesday.

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L. K. White